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A TRIO OF TWO-HOOKERS HOME

Each Brings a Good Fare of Prime Quality Salt Cod.

Three off shore arrivals was the fish story here this morning, the list including two Georgesmen and one from eastern deck handling.

Sch. Arthur D. Story which arrived this morning hails for 30,000 pounds salt cod and 1000 pounds of halibut, while sch. Volant, also from Georges has 25,000 pounds salt cod, and 1200 weight of halibut.

The deck handler is sch. Harry A. Nickerson, her haul being for 20,000 pounds of salt cod.

Last evening's shipments by the gill netters was approximately 400 boxes, mostly pollock. There was a few haddock, but hardly enough to speak about. The best trip was that of steamer Bethulia with 14,000 lbs., while the Gertrude T. and Philomena each had 9000 pounds.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals in detail are:

Sch. Volant, Georges handling, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 1200 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Harry A. Nickerson, eastern deck handling, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Alice, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Quoddy, gill netting 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Eagle, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 5200 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Rough Rider, gill netting, 5500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Margaret D., gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Nomad, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Enterprise, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Venture, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Philomena, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Hugo, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Anna T., gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Evelyn H., gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mary L., gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Gertrude T., gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Harold, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Bessie M. Dugan, gill netting, 3200 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lorena, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mary B. Ruth, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Nashawena, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Bethulia, gill netting, 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer eGisha, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Sunflower, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges handling, 30,000 lbs. salt cod, 1000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Edith Silveira, via Boston.

Sch. Adeline, via Boston.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, via Boston.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.

Sch. Jorgina, shore.

Sch. Jeannette, shore.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25, medium, \$3.75, snappers, \$2.75.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2 snappers, \$3.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Dory handling codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Drift codfish, large, \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round 90c.

Bank halibut, 17c lb. for white and 14c lb. for gray.

Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.

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The fish is provided with an automatic straining apparatus of the utmost fineness. The result is that as this fish breathes, the water through its gills it unconsciously sifts out its daily food. The wonder, then, is not how its teeming life gets its living, but how the astonishing multiplicity of marine life can possibly be kept under, even by the innumerable fish that throng the ocean. —Harper's Weekly.

Portland Fish Notes.

There is no relief in sight as far as the Portland fish market is concerned. Friday the prices were even higher than they were the day before, for the fishermen were being paid \$7 a hundred weight for cod and haddock right through. On Thursday, the price was \$7 for haddock, but only \$6 for large cod. Only a very few pounds of fish were received during Friday and the big dealers on Commercial and Central wharves found the time hanging idly on their hands.

The situation is more serious now than it has been for some time. For 10 days the wind has continued to blow a gale outside and the fishermen have been unable to make a setting. Some of the vessels have gone to the eastward to fish and they may bring back fares. For real "live" fish, as the dealers call those newly caught, the price is the highest it has ever been and may go still higher unless there is a break in the bad weather.

Ashore and Floated.

The Boston fishing sch. Galatea, Capt. Russell, from Jeffries bank with 11,000 pounds of fish, ran aground in Boston harbor below Castle Island yesterday and was hard and fast for several hours. When the tide receded, she listed sharply to port, but righted on the incoming tide and was pulled off by a tug and proceeded to T wharf. She sustained no important damage.

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FOOLISH-FACED FLOUNDERS.

Sophisticated Sportsmen Describes This Variety of the Species.

Having about finished the quest of the foolish-faced flounder, which is at its height during the month of November, a sportsman with humor in his makeup condescends to tell some interesting things about the fish with the funny face.

He declares the waters hereabouts not polluted by sewerage and dyes, abound with the fish, which make good eating and produce much merriment when one looks them in the face.

He said: "The flounder's countenance is on the bias. His face looks as if it had been twisted part way round, bringing both of his eyes on the same side of his nose. There are right-handed and left-handed flounders, which peculiarity is determined by the placing of the eyes. Some have them on the right-hand side, and some have them on the left-hand side of their noses.

The right-handers are in the majority, for only about one in 500 are left-handed, foolish-faced flounders. He is a funny fish in other ways, for his fins are peculiar. His dorsal and pectoral fins are on his sides, and they extend nearly all the way round him. This makes him look like an elliptical buzz saw. The only fin on his back is the one that would have been on his left side, if he were not so badly twisted.

"His color makes him a joke, too, for he is brindle, like a Boston terrier pup, on his upper surface or top sides, and white on the under sides. If he swam upright like a sunfish he would be white going past you and brindle coming back, this funny fish.

"The fluke is one of this family of many species to which the flounder belongs; that is to say, the winter flounder, as the species know in this vicinity is called. The fluke is what is known as the summer flounder and is different from our November friend of which I now speak.

"Our friend is not a very large fish, for he averages about a pound and a half. The largest of them do not weigh over 2½ pounds. A freak weighing four pounds sometimes is caught. The fluke will weigh 10 pounds and sometimes they weigh as much as 15 pounds.

"The winter flounder has a small mouth and no teeth and eats small crustaceans, shell fish and marsh worms. The fluke has a large mouth and needle-like teeth and hunts live

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Buys New Vessel.

The new 117-ton schooner recently launched by A. D. Story from his yard in Essex and towed to this port has been sold to Capt. Joseph Cabral of Provincetown.

Capt. Cabral conveys the sch. William A. Morse to Mr. Story as a part of the deal which was consummated through the agency of Capt. William Foley.

The new craft has been named the Delphina Cabral.

Maine Fishermen Go West.

Some 15 or more hardy Maine fishermen went up on the steamer Bay State last night, says the Portland Argus of Saturday, having signed with the agent of the Booth Fisheries Co. of Chicago to engage in halibut fishing on the coast of Alaska. They will leave Boston by rail tomorrow for Seattle, the overland journey occupying about four days. The party was composed of men from the Maine fishing towns, all being well used to the business. It is possible a second party may follow them next week.

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SCH. REGINA LOST ONE OF HER CREW

Capt. John Hickey of sch. Terra Nova which arrived at T wharf yesterday reported the loss of Thomas Comfort, one of the crew of sch. Regina, who was lost from his vessel down on the Cape Shore during a recent storm.

No details of the sad affair were given and will not be learned until the craft arrives at the market. Capt. Hickey spoke the Regina shortly after the sad affair.

INEXHAUSTIBLE FISHERIES.

Such the World's Herring Fishery is Said To Be.

The great curtain nets, as well as the seines, used by the fishermen who take the vast quantities of herring off the North Atlantic coast, must be constructed of the very stoutest materials or they would be (as they sometimes are) inevitably smashed by the dead weight of the catch.

If one need evidence of the immense number of these fish, he has but to stroll upon the beach of one of the coast counties of New Brunswick after a heavy gale in the spawning-time. Then the eggs of the herring fall through the water and attach themselves in sticky clusters to rocks and stones at the bottom. Each of these is about a quarter of an inch in size, protected by a sort of gelatinous shell. Sometimes they are thrown out by heavy gales and lie upon the shore, knee-deep. They are gathered up by farmers, who find them excellent manure.

Yet, despite the vast quantities of spawn thus destroyed by the gales, the shoals of herring are never, it is said, appreciably smaller. It has been calculated that one herring will produce about thirty thousand eggs each season.

Thousands of barrels of mature herrings are taken every year; the lobster fishery alone employs 40,000 barrels for bait; the cod fishery many times that number. Immense numbers also go to the making of herring oil. Only the very best fish are barreled for sale.

Then, too, on the Pacific coast, the fish are numerous, even more so, some aver, than on the Atlantic shores. In one year alone a Pacific company shipped something like 180,000 gallons of herring oil and 200 barrels of choice herrings. All this represents many thousand barrels of herrings.

The question has been asked, How do these armies of fish get their food? One distinguished naturalist has figured that if one of a countless number of varying minute organisms was allowed perfect development, without any counteracting destruction for one month, the product would be a mass of protoplasm many times larger than the sun. One tiny plant multiplies itself by breaking in two about five times a day, and becomes mature in three hours.

MARKET BOATS IN AT T WHARF

Prices Are Still Sky High and None of the Fares Are Large.

After the extreme quiet of last week, fresh fish receipts looked up more lively this morning at T wharf, there being just 25 fares at the dock when the gong sounded for the opening trade of the week.

The steam trawlers Swell with 64,000 pounds and the Spray with 57,000 pounds were the largest fares of the morning. Several of the offshore sailing fleet were in, the largest being schs. Alice M. Guthrie, 35,000 pounds and Terra Nova, 37,000 pounds.

The shore crafts landed small fares, haddock, cod and hake being in variety. Haddock was quoted from \$4 to \$5 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$6 to \$7, market cod, \$3 to \$4.25; hake, \$3.50 to \$5 and pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.85.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Str. Swell, 64,000 haddock, 1200 pollock.

Str. Spray, 57,000 haddock.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 1500 hake, 6000 cusk.

Sch. Terra Nova, 30,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Adeline, 5000 haddock, 7000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Harriett, 9000 haddock, 2500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveria, 5500 haddock, 1700 cod, 4500 hake.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, 4500 haddock, 1200 cod, 800 hake.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 2500 haddock, 5300 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Stranger, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Olive C. Hutchings, 8000 haddock, 7000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 13,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 2200 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Eva and Mildred, 3000 haddock, 1200 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 2300 haddock, 900 cod, 2700 hake, 1500 cusk.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 2500 haddock, 2400 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 9500 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 8000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Gardner Heath, 1700 cod.

Sch. Marion, 2000 cod.

Str. Joanna, 5500 cod.

Sch. Maxwell, 3300 cod.

Haddock, \$4 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$7; market cod, \$3 to \$4.25; hake, \$3.50 to \$6; pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.85.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25, medium, \$3.75, snappers, \$2.75.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2 snappers, \$3.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Dory handling codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Drift codfish, large, \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Large salt mackerel, \$25 per bbl.

Fletched halibut, 10c per lb.

Salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

Pickled herring, \$4.50 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round 90c.

Bank halibut, 17c lb. for white and 14c lb. for gray.

Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.

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Dressed pollock, 80c; round 90c.
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SOME FISH HAVE JUMP RECORD

Jumping as a mode of locomotion is shared by a variety of animals of widely different classes. Kangaroos and jerboas among the mammals thrushes and robins among birds, as well as such familiar forms as frogs, cockles, crickets and fleas—all illustrate this proneness to leap, mostly as a means of getting quickly over the ground, and even lions and tigers, which never spring under ordinary circumstances, readily adopt this method of attacking their victims, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

A considerable number of fishes are remarkable for their leaping powers, and several of these performers are on that account specially favored by anglers, since, by jumping clear of the water, in some cases many times in succession, they tax the fisherman's skill more severely than fishes less active, and thereby give added zest to their capture.

Members of the salmon family are universally famous for their high jumps. The sea trout, which gladden Devon rivers under the seasonable name of "harvest peal," are untiring acrobats, and a fish of a pound weight will more than once jump several times its own length out of water, when hooked before coming to the net. Unless the fisherman responds by promptly lowering the top of his rod, the fragile gut is likely to part, and as it is part of every sportsman's creed to appreciate his pastime in proportion to the difficulties it presents, the sea trout stands high in the angler's estimation.

This readiness to jump when hooked distinguishes the lively spring salmon from the more sluggish run of autumn fish, which rarely clear the water in their efforts to throw out the maddening hook.

Precisely why these October fish should be less nimble than those of March has never been satisfactorily explained, but the higher temperature of rivers in the fall of the year may perhaps have something to do with their conspicuous indolence.

At their best salmon can jump at least 10 feet above the surface, a feat achieved by slapping the water with the powerful tail and flexing the body until the head and tail all but meet.

The association of the maximum of vigor and activity in fishes with a low temperature enjoys wide acceptance, but should be received with caution in view of the fact that nowhere perhaps in the world's seas are jumping fish more continually in evidence than in the Gulf of Mexico.

The grandest of all these leapers is the tarpon, otherwise "silver king," or "grand ecaille," a monster herring which may measure six or seven feet, and weigh a couple of hundred pounds.

Harbor Notes.

The revenue cutter Androscoggin came into port Sunday and anchored off Ten Pound Island. She proceeded yesterday for Portland.

Brings Squid.

Sch. James P. Foster, Jr., is here from Provincetown with a load of frozen squid for the freezer.

Another Gill Netter.

The lake steamer Swan of Lake Erie has arrived here by the way of the Erie canal and will engage in the gill netting fishery.

A FORTUNE FOR STEAM TRAWLERS

On a Bare Hungry Market Two of Them Have 160,000 Pounds Haddock.

Only for the arrival of two of the steam trawling fleet and the shipment of 400 boxes of fish from this port yesterday, T wharf dealers would have had a famine this morning, judging from the continued light receipts that prevailed there.

This morning everyone wanted fish and the few trips were quickly snapped up. Yesterday afternoon, the steam trawler Ripple arrived with 73,000 pounds of haddock, while three of the sailing fleet landed 25,000 lbs. between them.

This morning's list included the steam trawler Foam with 88,000 weight of haddock, three shores and one cod netter with 20,000 pounds of mixed fish.

The continued demand for all grades and scarcity in the supply still keeps the prices well up. Haddock brought \$5.50 to \$6 a hundred weight large cod, \$6.50 to \$7; market cod, \$4; hake, \$4 to \$7 and pollock, \$1.60.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Ripple, 73,000 haddock, 100 cod.
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. James and Esther, 2500 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Priscilla, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Foam, 88,000 haddock, 400 cod.
Sch. Galatea, 3000 haddock, 3300 cod, 400 hake, 400 pollock.
Sch. Rose Standish, 1500 haddock, 1200 cod.
Sch. Florida, 7000 cod.
Sch. Emily Sears, 500 haddock, 1700 cod, 1700 hake.
Haddock, \$5.50 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$6.50 to \$7; market cod, \$4; hake, \$4 to \$7; pollock, \$1.60.

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A GIANT LOBSTER.

A lobster, 36 inches long, weighing 32 pounds, is being mounted for the United States Institute at Washington, D. C., by Clarence E. Brown of Beverly. The lobster, which came from Vinalhaven, Me., is considered one of the finest specimens ever found on the Atlantic Coast.

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FIVE AT HOME WITH HERRING

All the Crafts Report Long Hard Passages Coming Along.

Five of the Newfoundland herring fleet and one fresh fish fare constituted the arrivals at this port this morning, it being the largest off-shore fleet arrivals in for several days.

Four of the herringers are from the Bay of Islands, schs. Arthur James, Lottie G. Merchant and Premier bringing full cargoes of salt and pickled herring, while sch. John R. Bradley has a load of pickled herring. From Bonne Bay is sch. Annie M. Parker with a full load of salt and pickled fish.

All the crafts report a hard passage home. The Arthur James, Premier and John R. Bradley were 14 days coming, the Annie M. Parker, 12 days and Lottie G. Merchant, nine days.

Sch. Teazer, Capt. Peter Dunskey, has 60,000 pounds of fresh fish and a small lot of halibut, the latter selling to the American Halibut Company.

Yesterday's gill netting receipts totalled some 130,000 pounds, chiefly pollock. The entire lot was shipped by boat to Boston.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Teazer, Cape Shore, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish, 4000 lbs. halibut.
Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Alice, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Eagle, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Mindora, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Nomad, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Venture, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Philomena, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Hugo, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Scola, gill netting, 6500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Mary L., gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Nashawena, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Scout, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Lorana, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Mary Ruth, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sloop Laura Enos, shore, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Arthur James, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1500 bbls. salt herring, 100 bbls. pickled herring.
Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1220 bbls. salt herring, 100 bbls. pickled herring.
Sch. Premier, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1605 bbls. salt herring, 100 bbls. pickled herring.
Sch. John R. Bradley, Bay of Islands, N. F., 940 bbls. pickled herring.
Sch. Annie M. Parker, Bonne Bay, N. F., 1530 bbls. salt herring, 140 bbls. pickled herring.

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Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25, medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2 snappers, \$3.25.
Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.
Dory handlining codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$1.50; mediums, \$4.
Drift codfish, large, \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.
Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
Pollock, \$1.50.
Hake, \$1.50.
Haddock, \$1.50.
Large salt mackerel, \$25 per bbl.
Fetched halibut, 10c per lb.
Salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.
All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, \$1.15.
Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.
Dressed pollock, 80c; round 90c.
Bank halibut, 17c lb. for white and for gray.
Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl for bait.
Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

LUNENBURG FISH WEAKER

The market for Lunenburg fish is weaker owing to the break in Porto Rico. Account sales to hand last week only give returns to shippers of \$5.50 per quintal on shipments arriving there during the past fortnight, says the "Maritime Merchant." The immediate effect of these reports is that local buyers have become extremely diffident about buying. Where they were willing to take a chance at \$6.25 at the beginning of this month, they are now quite shy about going in at \$6. It is hard to tell what the next change will be, but it is rather peculiar to find such a difference in the condition of values in the two different classes of fish: namely, "bank" and "shore." The latter are worth more today than for many years; in fact, one exporter said to us that in all the years he had been in the business, he had never paid so much for shore fish as he is paying today. St. John's, Nfld., reports a shortage of 150,000 quintals, as compared with last year, which was an average year, and so with foreign markets very strong it may be that the rise in values will still go on. Whether the situation in Lunenburg bank fish will be relieved by the strong tone of the other quality remains to be seen; those who have laid in stocks of the former are no doubt hoping that it will, while those who have not would shed no tears of regret if they beheld a \$5 price for bank fish by the opening of the new year.

Pensacola Arrivals.

Last week found a dozen of Pensacola's fishing fleet tied up because of weather conditions. A number of vessels were ready for days to put out, but because of what the men described as "unreasonably good weather" they were compelled to lay by and whistle for wind.

Red snappers are coming in every day, and groupers, also, to the city of Pensacola. This is the biggest fishing port on the whole gulf, having about 52 fishing smacks. Smacks arrived as follows last week: For E. E. Saunders Co.: Seacomet, 17,400 snappers, 7200 groupers; Kwasind, 14,800 snappers, 5000 groupers; Abana, 23,530 snappers, 8340 groupers; Sheffeyld, 24,460 snappers, 6015 groupers; Emily Cooney, 17,425 snappers, 11,720 groupers; Mary E. Cooney, 35,365 snappers, 14,365 groupers; John M. Keen, 24,495 snappers, 9665 groupers. For Warren Co.: Mineola, 15,225 snappers, 7615 groupers; Amy Wixon, 20,495 snappers, 9430 groupers; C. H. Coll, 12,130 snappers, 8840 groupers; Chicopee, 24,840 snappers, 9155 groupers.

Domestic Salt Mackerel.

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SOME FISH HAVE JUMP RECORD

Jumping as a mode of locomotion is shared by a variety of animals of widely different classes. Kangaroos and jerboas among the mammals thrushes and robins among birds, as well as such familiar forms as frogs, cockles, crickets and fleas—all illustrate this proneness to leap, mostly as a means of getting quickly over the ground, and even lions and tigers, which never spring under ordinary circumstances, readily adopt this method of attacking their victims, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

A considerable number of fishes are remarkable for their leaping powers, and several of these performers are on that account specially favored by anglers, since, by jumping clear of the water, in some cases many times in succession, they tax the fisherman's skill more severely than fishes less active, and thereby give added zest to their capture.

Members of the salmon family are universally famous for their high jumps. The sea trout, which gladden Devon rivers under the seasonable name of "harvest peal," are untiring acrobats, and a fish of a pound weight will more than once jump several times its own length out of water, when hooked before coming to the net. Unless the fisherman responds by promptly lowering the top of his rod, the fragile gut is likely to part, and as it is part of every sportsman's creed to appreciate his pastime in proportion to the difficulties it presents, the sea trout stands high in the angler's estimation.

This readiness to jump when hooked distinguishes the lively spring salmon from the more sluggish run of autumn fish, which rarely clear the water in their efforts to throw out the maddening hook.

Precisely why these October fish should be less nimble than those of March has never been satisfactorily explained, but the higher temperature of rivers in the fall of the year may perhaps have something to do with their conspicuous indolence.

At their best salmon can jump at least 10 feet above the surface, a feat achieved by slapping the water with the powerful tail and flexing the body until the head and tail all but meet.

The association of the maximum of vigor and activity in fishes with a low temperature enjoys wide acceptance, but should be received with caution in view of the fact that nowhere perhaps in the world's seas are jumping fish more continually in evidence than in the Gulf of Mexico.

The grandest of all these leapers is the tarpon, otherwise "silver king," or "grand ecaille," a monster herring which may measure six or seven feet, and weigh a couple of hundred pounds.

Harbor Notes.
The revenue cutter Androscoggin came into port Sunday and anchored off Ten Pound Island. She proceeded yesterday for Portland.

Brings Squid.
Sch. James P. Foster, Jr., is here from Provincetown with a load of frozen squid for the freezer.

Another Gill Netter.
The lake steamer Swan of Lake Erie has arrived here by the way of the Erie canal and will engage in the gill netting fishery.

A FORTUNE FOR STEAM TRAWLERS
On a Bare Hungry Market
Two of Them Have 160,000 Pounds Haddock.

Only for the arrival of two of the steam trawling fleet and the shipment of 400 boxes of fish from this port yesterday, T wharf dealers would have had a famine this morning, judging from the continued light receipts that prevailed there.

This morning everyone wanted fish and the few trips were quickly snapped up. Yesterday afternoon, the steam trawler Ripple arrived with 73,000 pounds of haddock, while three of the sailing fleet landed 25,000 lbs. between them.

This morning's list included the steam trawler Foam with 88,000 weight of haddock, three shores and one cod netter with 20,000 pounds of mixed fish.

The continued demand for all grades and scarcity in the supply still keeps the prices well up. Haddock brought \$5.50 to \$6 a hundred weight large cod, \$6.50 to \$7; market cod, \$4; hake, \$4 to \$7 and pollock, \$1.60.

Boston Arrivals.
The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Ripple, 73,000 haddock, 100 cod.
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. James and Esther, 2500 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Priscilla, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Foam, 88,000 haddock, 400 cod.
Sch. Galatea, 3000 haddock, 3300 cod, 400 hake, 400 pollock.
Sch. Rose Standish, 1500 haddock, 1200 cod.
Sch. Florida, 7000 cod.
Sch. Emily Sears, 500 haddock, 1700 cod, 1700 hake.
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A GIANT LOBSTER.
A lobster, 36 inches long, weighing 32 pounds, is being mounted for the United States Institute at Washington, D. C., by Clarence E. Brown of Beverly. The lobster, which came from Vinalhaven, Me., is considered one of the finest specimens ever found on the Atlantic Coast.

Dec. 18.
FIVE AT HOME WITH HERRING
All the Crafts Report Long Hard Passages Coming Along.

Five of the Newfoundland herring fleet and one fresh fish fare constituted the arrivals at this port this morning, it being the largest off-shore fleet arrivals in for several days.

Four of the herringers are from the Bay of Islands, schs. Arthur James, Lottie G. Merchant and Premier bringing full cargoes of salt and pickled herring, while sch. John R. Bradley has a load of pickled herring. From Bonne Bay is sch. Annie M. Parker with a full load of salt and pickled fish.

All the crafts report a hard passage home. The Arthur James, Premier and John R. Bradley were 14 days coming, the Annie M. Parker, 12 days and Lottie G. Merchant, nine days.

Sch. Teazer, Capt. Peter Dunskey, has 60,000 pounds of fresh fish and a small lot of halibut, the latter selling to the American Halibut Company.

Yesterday's gill netting receipts totalled some 130,000 pounds, chiefly pollock. The entire lot was shipped by boat to Boston.

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Str. Alice, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Eagle, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
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TODAY'S FISH MARKET.
Salt Fish.
Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25, medium, \$3.75, snappers, \$2.75.
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